

SENATE RESOLUTION 27

By Burchett

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Robert M. Beckers of Knoxville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Robert M. Beckers; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Beckers was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born August 31, 1927, in Chicago, Illinois, Robert Beckers served with acumen and alacrity as an employee of Martin-Marietta Energy Systems for forty years, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Robert Beckers honorably served in the United States Marine Corps and was a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the Knoxville Model Railroad Club, an Eagle Scout, and a troop committee member with Boy Scout Troop #144; and

WHEREAS, he was an active and devout member of Messiah Lutheran Church, which he served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Beckers was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Robert Beckers enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Vivian Annette Beckers nee Wiebking, and was the proud father of sons and daughter-in-law, David C. Beckers and Jonathan E. and Hope Beckers; daughter and son-in-law, Carolyn J. and Gregory J. Packett; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Beckers will be sorely missed by his grandchildren, Ryan T., Lauren G. Beckers, and Christopher T. Packett; his sister, Elaine Polz; two nieces; four great nieces; and two great nephews; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Beckers was preceded in death by his parents, Leonard A. and Lillian A. Hohnsen Beckers; and

WHEREAS, Robert Beckers leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Robert M. Beckers, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Beckers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.